1st April, 1989, the Central Government propose to arrange the 'Safety Review' of all such dams; and

(e) if so, when and if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) Yes, Sir. The recommendations of the Committee, however cover review of dams which are more than 15 metres in height or which store 50,000 acre feet or more of water.

(b) There are 2179 such dams of which 1627 were completed prior to 1988.

(c) The safety review has to be carried out by the State Governments who have been advised to do it expeditiously.

(d) and (e) The newspaper report relates to the satellite imagery of Pong Dam on river Beas. The matter has been investigated and found that the news item did not reflect the true situation and there is no cause for alarm.

Comments of States Government's High Courts on National Judicial Service Commission

2949. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA:

SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received the comments of various State Governments, High Courts etc. relating to 116th and 118th reports of the Law Commission regarding the National Judicial Service Commission;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what action has been taken by the Central Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (c) From the comments received so far, 12 States are not in favour of setting up of a National Judicial Service Commission, while 2 have supported the proposal and the remaining 7 have no comments in this regard.

The Chief Justices' Conference held in October 1988 was not in favour of it.

Financial aid given by the tea board to Bharat Scouts and Guides

2950. SHRI PRITHIBI MAJHI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any provision under Tea Board rules to give financial aid to Bharat Scouts and Guides; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) and (b) Tea Rules do not contain any specific provision in this regard. The Tea Board however provides financial assistance to the state associations of Bharat Scouts and Guides in West Bengal, Kerala and Tamil Nadu. The total monetary aid given during the last three years to West Bengal, Kerala and Tamil Nadu are as follows:—

(Rs. in lakhs)

Year	West Bengal	Kerala	Tamil Nadu	Total
1986-87	1.19	0.42	0.17	1.78
1987-88	0.59	0.32	0.20	1.11
1988-89	1.98	0.90	0.52	3.40